

## **Topical Research Intern Program (TRIP)**

TRIP provides an opportunity for highly qualified military personnel and Department of Defense civilians to complete a specially selected work force diversity project and prepare a report that will be widely disseminated throughout the Services and external agencies.

The reports focus on the various celebrations that are federally recognized such as Black History Month, Hispanic Heritage Month, and Native American History Month. Selected individuals will write a report based on the selected theme of an event. Additionally, individuals may be asked to complete Review of Data booklets based on race and ethnicity of various groups. Both types of publications are published on the DEOMI Internet for access world-wide by interested individuals and organizations.

TRIP assignments are funded by DEOMI for 30 days each and are completed on site at DEOMI, Patrick Air Force Base, Florida.

Interested individuals must provide the information requested in the instructions, and return the application to the appropriate Service address by:

August of each year for selection in the following FY program.

Note that the application must be signed by the individual's supervisor.

Minimum qualification requirements include:

Be either a noncommissioned officer (E-6 and above), a warrant officer, an officer (O-3 and above), or a DoD civilian (GS-7 and above). Have an outstanding performance history. Be available for temporary assignment for 30 consecutive days.

Selection criteria include:

- Research experience or potential
- Knowledge of issues
- Prior academic success
- Superior writing skills
- Capacity to work independently

Direct any questions to the Directorate of Research at the Defense Equal Opportunity Management Institute, DSN 854-2677, or commercial (321) 494-2677.

